# BREAKING NEWS\_ Hawley Goes Sco...Effort Against Lab Leak Theory

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#### **SPEAKERS**

Dr. Robert Garry, Matt Romney, Speaker 1, Josh Hawley



# Matt Romney 00:00

Agree with or am I making a mistake?



#### Speaker 1 00:01

I completely agree with you, Senator Romney, that's well stated.



# Thank you.



#### Speaker 1 00:05

Thank you, Senator Romney, Senator Hawley you're recognized for your questions.



### Josh Hawley 00:08

Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman, Thanks for holding this hearing. Thanks for the witnesses for being here. You know, I have to say, I think one of the worst things that happened in the covid era is that our own government deliberately withheld information from us, from the American people. Tried to propagandize. The American people used the arms and agencies of government to actively censor Americans who dared to question the propaganda, and they're still lying to us. And I'll give you the proof of it. I wrote the bill that requires the administration to declassify the intelligence assessments and reports related to the origins of covid 19. Now listen, I just want to say everybody sitting on this dais has read these I've read them. I

guarantee you, my colleagues have read them. I know what the Energy Department concluded. I know what the FBI concluded, I knew what they concluded years ago because we could read them when people like Dr Fauci were out there saying the lab leak hypothesis was totally discredited and nonsense. You could go read the intelligence and know our own government thought otherwise, and at this late hour, this government still refuses to release the intelligence they are blatantly disregarding, blatantly disregarding the law that this body passed. The Senate passed unanimously, unanimously. The propaganda involved in the origins of covid 19 is astounding to me. It recalls the worst of the wartime propaganda in years past, when the government would deliberately lie to people. And here, that's what they have been doing with covid 19, and are still doing it. You had this whole Cabal, led by Dr Fauci and others, who, as soon as the lab leak, hypothesis that we now know is a lot more than a hypothesis, as soon as it's mentioned, what did Fauci do? We know? Because this has all been litigated in a federal district court, in fact, in multiple federal courts, I've got the finding of fact from the court right here. They lay it all out. Fauci goes to the who asks the WHO to intervene to discredit the lab leak. He then speaks against it multiple times from the podium at the White House. He then does countless media interviews. I mean, my gosh, what show has he not been on? He's still on TV spewing this misinformation, as he would call it, but he did these multiple interviews where he says, No way, no how. Lab leak, not possible at all. And then he coordinates, and the whole federal government coordinates with the biggest tech companies in the world to suppress and media companies to suppress any American who would ask questions about it. It's absolutely disgraceful. Dr Gary, you were part of this propaganda effort. I mean, you were right at the center of it. It's astounding. You wrote this piece, this Nature magazine piece, or whatever it was that we've heard testimony here today, Nature Medicine, March 17, 2020, we've heard testimony here today from other scientists on the panel that it's basically an opinion piece. You said at the time that definitively, SARS, covid two is not a laboratory construct. Is not a laboratory construct. Of course, our own government, key agencies have concluded otherwise, and on the basis of this, Dr Fauci and others cited this, this piece and went out to use it to mobilize our own government to censor people who asked questions about people lost their jobs because of this. They lost their jobs, they lost their standing. They were kicked off Facebook. They were kicked off Twitter. Do you regret being part of this effort, this propaganda effort, sir,

#### Dr. Robert Garry 03:47

I was, I was simply just writing a paper about our scientific opinions about where this virus came.



#### Josh Hawley 03:53

Oh, no, you weren't. You said in an email that we now have, that you tried to withhold, but that we have February 2, 2020, you wrote, I really can't think of a plausible, natural scenario where you can get from the bat virus or one very similar to it to this I'm quoting you. I just can't figure out how this gets accomplished in nature. It's stunning, of course, in the lab, it would be easy. Well, of course.



#### Dr. Robert Garry 04:14

And I actually figured it out. That's the whole point of

## Josh Hawley 04:17

you figured it out. You wrote this while you were writing your propaganda piece while you're writing that somewhere around February 2. Yeah, it was exactly February 2, and you testified that you were writing your proximal origin paper in early February. So you're saying that, what did it come to you overnight? There was new data, like a revelation from God.



Dr. Robert Garry 04:37 No

#### Josh Hawley 04:38

overnight, he concluded I got it, I got it. I figured it out. I figured it out, and now I can definitively rule out it's amazing. Is that what happened? It's just the scientific method. Oh, it's just science. Oh, it's the scientific method that happened and lightning speed and then was used to propagandize and lie to and shut down as a scientist. Who supposedly supposed to follow facts. Do you regret the fact that your work was used to censor your fellow scientists? It was used to censor ordinary Americans who asked questions about the virus? Do you regret



#### Dr. Robert Garry 05:16

when you write a paper, I mean, you get it in the journal, we can't control what happens after



#### Josh Hawley 05:20

No, I see. So you're not responsible at all. This is It's amazing. Nobody who is involved in any of this is responsible. Never they're not responsible. People have lost their jobs. People have lost, probably, their health care associated with their jobs. People have been run out of public available in polite society, you can't show your face because, my gosh, you question, but you, you don't have anything to do with it. Why so many of your papers, your other papers, been retracted or subjected to formal expressions of concern?



#### Dr. Robert Garry 05:51

Yeah, well, there's a long story behind that.



#### Josh Hawley 05:55

Four of them, right? I mean, you've, you've had an in july 26 2021 virology retracted a paper of yours also in 2021 the Journal of general virology retracted another of your papers in March of 2022 an expression of concern was added by an editor of yet another journal to another of your

papers in April 4 of 2024. A third scientific paper of yours was retracted from the Journal of Medical virology.



#### Dr. Robert Garry 06:19

Those papers didn't come from my lab, but, you know, I'm certainly helping.



Josh Hawley 06:23

They're not yours,



Dr. Robert Garry 06:24

they're not mine. So your paper, but they did not come



#### Josh Hawley 06:28

work that God gave you in a flash of inspiration remains absolutely unimpeachable. Unimpeached.



Dr. Robert Garry 06:35 We stand by that.



#### Josh Hawley 06:36

Do you stand by your your assertion and your nature Piece that SARS covid Two is not a laboratory construct. Could not



## Dr. Robert Garry 06:46

we do and that's exactly the same



# Josh Hawley 06:48 Couldn't possibly be

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Dr. Robert Garry 06:49 conclusion that the intelligence community came to,

#### Josh Hawley 06:52

oh no, that is a lie. Let's stop right there. That is a lie. I have read the intelligence the intelligence community did not come to that conclusion. Multiple intelligence community agents and components have concluded it was likely a lab leak, and they concluded that at the same time that you and your people were propagandizing the American public and using the channels and influence of the American government to censor ordinary Americans, that is the truth. I'm not going to sit here and allow you to lie any further. Dr Gary, you have disgracefully participated in shameful propaganda that has been one of the worst chapters in this country's history, with the government propagandizing its own people. And you know what you may be right about the I'm not a scientist. I don't know but what I do know is, what I do know is it is wrong, it is wrong to censor and lie to the American public. It is wrong to withhold critical information from them, and it is wrong to countenance that and say, Oh, I just had nothing to do with it. Gee. I wish we could have done better. You should have done better, sir. You should have done better. And because you didn't, people have suffered. Thank you. Mr.

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Dr. Robert Garry 08:01 Chairman, could I



Speaker 1 08:03

Dr Gary, if you'd like to respond to your question?

Dr. Robert Garry 08:05 Yeah. So.

